



Lumpkin County, Georgia

Public Works Department

December 31, 2015

Agenda Item:

DOT Roundabout Lighting Assistance

Item Description:

Roundabout Lighting assistance for 3 proposed roundabouts to be located in Lumpkin County.

Facts & Historical Information:

In May of 2014 the BOC signed indication of Roundabout support documents for 2 roundabouts in Lumpkin County (one attached for reference). These roundabouts will be located at the intersection US 19 and SR 60 (Stone Pile Gap) north of town and at the intersection of 52 west and Dawsonville Hwy, west of town. There were 2 associated conditions with each letter of support.

1. *The county will pay the full and entire cost of electrical energy used for any lighting installed and the maintenance thereof (if needed).*
2. *Any maintenance costs associated with the landscaping as approved by the local government and the Georgia Department of Transportation (after construction is complete).*

The DOT is now asking for assistance the county to sign agreements for lighting assistance for 3 roundabouts. These roundabouts will be located at the intersection of SR 60 (South Chestatee) and Morrison Moore Parkway (south of town), at the intersection of 52 west and Dawsonville Hwy (west of town) and at the intersection of SR 52, SR 115 and Copper Mines Rd. (east of town). A condition of these agreements is that the county is responsible for the operation, maintain and repair of the entire lighting system. These conditions were not included in the original support documents.

Also there is concern that the intersection listed as SR 60 (South Chestatee) and Morrison Moore Parkway (south of town) should be in fact the intersection at Stone Pile Gap. The Stone Pile Gap intersection is one of the three intersections that staff is aware of the DOT contractor doing design work on.

Staff Recommendation:

The roundabouts would be an improvement to the intersections which would allow traffic to flow through the intersections more smoothly. It is staff's recommendation that the County Attorney be tasked with redrafting the agreements to remove any references to operation, maintenance and repairs. These revisions will make the county responsible for only the electric bills for the roundabouts. Also, staff will attempt to get conformation on which intersections the agreements are actually for.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
STATE OF GEORGIA

INDICATION OF ROUNDABOUT SUPPORT

To the Georgia Department of Transportation:

Attn: State Traffic Engineer
934 E. Confederate Ave., Building 24
Atlanta, GA 30316

Location

The **COMMISSIONER** of LUMPKIN County supports the consideration of a roundabout at the location specified below.

State/County Route Numbers: **SR 9 at SR 60**

Associated Conditions

The undersigned agrees to participate in the following maintenance of the intersection in the event that the roundabout is selected as the preferred concept alternative:

- The full and entire cost of the electric energy used for any lighting installed and the maintenance thereof (if needed)
- Any maintenance costs associated with the landscaping as approved by the local government and the Georgia Department of Transportation (after construction is complete)

We agree to participate in a formal Local Government Lighting Project Agreement during the preliminary design phase. This indication of support is submitted and all of the conditions are hereby agreed to. The undersigned are duly authorized to execute this agreement.

This is the 17th day of May, 2014

By: [Signature]

Title: CHAIRMAN, LUMPKIN COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Attest:

Kathleen Cabelker
Clerk

Keith Golden, P.E., Commissioner



DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

One Georgia Center, 600 West Peachtree Street, NW
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

April 18, 2014

Lumpkin County Board of Commissioners
Attn: Mr. Chris Dockery, Chairman
99 Courthouse Hill, Suite H
Dahlonega, GA 30533

Stone Pile Gap
SUBJECT: Roundabout Support PI No: 0009950
SR 9/Morrison Moore Parkway @ SR 60/ N Grove Street
Lumpkin County

Dear Chairman Dockery:

In an effort to finalize the process necessary for the consideration of the installation of a roundabout at the above location, please complete the enclosed "Indication of Roundabout Support" form with the appropriate signatures and return to this office at the following address:

Georgia Department of Transportation
Attention: Traffic Operations
P.O. Box 1057
Gainesville, GA 30503

The completion of this document does not guarantee the installation of a roundabout.

Please feel free to contact me at 770-532-5532 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "David W. Olson".

David W. Olson, P.E.
District Traffic Engineer

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Attachments

